

FRIDAY, APRIL 14, 1893.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.  
The President in the chair.

The roll was called and the following Senators answered to their names:

Mr. President, Messrs. Baya, Blitch, Borden, Bristol, Broome, Browne, Calhoun, Farmer, Grady, Johnson, Marks, McKinne, McKinney, McLeran, Morrow, Myers, Perrenot, Reeves, Rosborough, Smith, St. Clair Abrams, Summers, Thomas, Wadsworth, Weeks, Whidden, Williamson, Wolfe—

29.  
A quorum present.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

The Journal was approved.

The following telegram was read for the information of the Senate:

PENSACOLA, FLA., April 13, 1893.

To the President and Speaker of the Florida Legislature:

The Chamber of Commerce of Pensacola heartily favors the passage of the bill appropriating seven thousand dollars for Florida exhibit World's Fair.

THOS. C. WATSON, Secretary.

#### INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTIONS.

By Mr. Thomas:

Senate Memorial No. 2:

Which was read as follows:

Whereas, Certain citizens of Florida, representing all sections of the State, assembled in Tallahassee, Fla., on the 2d day of January, 1893, in their representative capacity as delegates, for the purpose of considering the construction of the Nicaraguan Canal, and unanimously adopted resolutions urging the Senators and Representatives from Florida in the Congress of the United States to lay before Congress the importance of such enterprise; and,

Whereas, The benefits to accrue, not only to Florida, but to every State in the Union, from the opening up of the great American highway is unquestioned; therefore, be it

Resolved, by the Senate and the House of Representatives of the State of Florida, now in session, That our Senators and Representatives in Congress are hereby requested to employ their best efforts to have Congress take favorable

action looking to the early construction of the Nicaragua Canal.

Resolved, further, That the Secretary of State is herewith requested to send each of said Senators and Representatives from Florida in Congress a certified copy of this memorial.

Laid over under the rules.

#### INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

By Mr. Marks:

Senate Bill No. 105:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend Section 255, Revised Statutes of Florida.

Mr. Marks moved that the rule be waived and that the bill be read the first time by its title;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote,

Whereupon the bill was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Education.

By Mr. Myers:

Senate Bill No. 106:

A bill to be entitled an act to require the clerk of the Supreme Court of this State to furnish reports of the decisions of said court to the United States Circuit Court of Appeals for the Fifth circuit.

Mr. Myers moved that the rule be waived and that the bill be read the first time by its title;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote,

Whereupon the bill was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Morrow:

Senate Bill No. 107:

A bill to be entitled an act to create or establish a State Bureau of vital Statistics for the State of Florida, and to increase the efficiency of the State Board of Health.

Mr. Morrow moved that the rule be waived and that the bill be read the first time by its title;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote,

Whereupon the bill was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Public Health.

Also,

Senate Bill No. 108:

A bill to be entitled an act to provide for the collection of vital statistics in the several counties of the State of Florida.

Mr. Morrow moved that the rule be waived and that the bill be read the first time by its title;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote,  
Whereupon the bill was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Public Health.

By Mr. Whidden:

Senate Bill No. 109:

A bill to be entitled an act to compel drovers to have the marks and brands of their herds inspected before swimming or driving them across the Caloosahatchee River.

Mr. Whidden moved that the rule be waived and that the bill be read the first time by its title;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote,

Whereupon the bill was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. Marks:

Senate Bill No. 110:

A bill to be entitled an act to establish a State Bureau of Vital Statistics for the State of Florida, and to increase the efficiency of the State Board of Health.

Mr. Marks moved that the rule be waived and that the bill be read the first time by its title;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote,

Whereupon the bill was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Public Health.

Also,

Senate Bill No. 111:

A bill to be entitled an act to provide for the collection of vital statistics in the several counties of the State of Florida.

Mr. Marks moved that the rules be waived and that the bill be read the first time by its title;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote,

Whereupon the bill was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Public Health.

#### CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTIONS.

House Memorial to the Secretary of the United States,  
Relative to a lighthouse at East Pass, Apalachicola, Fla.  
Was read the first and second times, the rules being waived.

Mr. Grady moved that the resolution be adopted;

Which was agreed to and the resolution was declared adopted.

Mr. Grady, Acting Chairman of Committee on Corporations, submitted the following report:

SENATE CHAMBER,  
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., April 14, 1893. }

HON. W. H. REYNOLDS,

President of the Senate:

SIR—Your Committee on Corporations, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 88:

"An act to incorporate the Florida Conference College,"

Recommend that the same do pass.

Very respectfully,

J. E. GRADY,

Acting Chairman Committee.

Which was placed among the orders of the day.

Also the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,  
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., April 14, 1893. }

HON. W. H. REYNOLDS,

President of the Senate:

SIR—Your Committee on Corporations, to whom was referred—

Senate Bills 102, 103 and 104:

Relating to railroad corporations,

Beg leave to say that said committee have had same under consideration and recommend that they do pass.

Very respectfully,

J. E. GRADY,

Acting Chairman Committee.

Also the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,  
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., April 14, 1893. }

HON. W. H. REYNOLDS,

President of the Senate:

SIR—Your Committee on Corporations, to whom was referred—

House Bill No. 7:

"An act to incorporate the Savings Bank of Florida,"

And

House Bill No. 8:

"An act to amend Section 2259, of the Revised Statutes of Florida,"

Recommend that they do pass.

Very respectfully,

J. E. GRADY,

Acting Chairman Committee.

Mr. Broome, Chairman of Special Committee on Legislative Expenses, submitted the following report:

SENATE CHAMBER, }  
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., April 14, 1893. }

HON. W. H. REYNOLDS,

President of the Senate:

SIR—Your Special Committee on Legislative Expenses to whom was referred—

House Resolution:

Relative to the pay of officers and attaches of the Senate,

Beg leave to report that they have considered the same and recommend members of the Legislature \$6 per diem and 10 cents mileage each way.

Chief Clerk, \$5 per diem.

Secretary, \$5 per diem.

Assistant Clerk, \$4 per diem.

Assistant Secretary, \$4 per diem.

All other Clerks, \$4 per diem.

Doorkeeper, \$4 per diem.

Sergeant-at-Arms, \$4 per diem.

Messengers, \$3 per diem.

Janitors, \$3 per diem.

Pages, \$2 per diem.

Clerks of Standing Committees to be paid for days actually employed at \$4 per day.

Chaplain, \$100.

Very respectfully,

JAS. E. BROOME,

Chairman Special Committee.

Which was placed among the orders of the day.

Mr. McKinne, Chairman of Committee on Railroads, submitted the following report:

SENATE CHAMBER, }  
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., April 14, 1893. }

HON. W. H. REYNOLDS,

President of the Senate:

SIR—Your Committee on Railroads to whom was referred—  
Senate Bill No. 24:

To be entitled an act to continue the rights, privileges, and grants of the Silver Springs, Ocala and Gulf Railroad company,

Have examined the same and recommend that it do pass.

Very respectfully,

J. H. McKINNE,

Chairman of Committee.

Also the following:

SENATE CHAMBER, }  
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., April 14, 1893. }

HON. W. H. REYNOLDS,

President of the Senate:

SIR—Your Committee on Railroads recommend that—  
Senate Bill No. 74:

A bill to be entitled an act to extend the time of the completion of the Florida, Georgia and Western Railway,

Do pass.

Very respectfully,

J. H. McKINNE,

Chairman.

Which were placed among the orders of the day.

Mr. Wolfe, Chairman of Committee on Engrossed Bills submitted the following report:

SENATE CHAMBER, }  
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., April 14, 1893. }

HON. W. H. REYNOLDS,

President of the Senate:

SIR—Your Committee on Engrossed Bills to whom was referred—  
Senate Bill No. 28:

A bill to be entitled "an act to amend Section 1391 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Florida;"

Also,

Senate Bill No. 77:

Entitled "an act to amend Section 828, Revised Statutes of the State of Florida;"

Also,

Senate Bill No. 68:

Entitled "an act to amend Section 843, Chapter 7, of the Revised Statutes of Florida, providing for enquiry as to lunacy or insanity;"

Also,

Senate Bill No. 13:

Entitled "an act to render a scrawl equivalent to a seal, and to validate all deeds and instruments heretofore executed with a scrawl;"

Beg leave to report that they have examined the same, and find them correctly engrossed.

Very respectfully,

J. EMMET WOLFE,

Chairman of Committee on Engrossed Bills.

Which was placed among the orders of the day.

Mr. Rosborough, Chairman Committee on Claims, submitted the following report:

SENATE CHAMBER,  
TALLAHASSEE, FLA., April 14, 1893. }

HON. W. H. REYNOLDS,

President of the Senate:

SIR—Your Committee on Claims, to whom was referred—  
Senate Bill No. 85:

An act entitled an act for the relief of Rev. J. W. Posten, of Gadsden county, Florida,

Have had the same under consideration, and recommend that it do pass.

Very respectfully,

J. A. ROSBOROUGH,

Chairman Committee.

Which was placed among the orders of the day.

The following Senators were excused from further attend—

ance upon the Senate until Monday, viz.: Messrs. Wadsworth, Thomas, McKinne and Farmer.

Mr. Bristol, in accordance with notice given yesterday, moved that the Senate reconsider the vote by which

Senate Bill No. 21:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend Sections 1429 and 1443 of the Revised Statutes,

Passed the Senate Wednesday;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote,

Whereupon the vote by which the bill passed was reconsidered.

Mr. McKinne moved that Senate Bill No. 21 be placed back on its second reading for the purpose of amendment;

Which was agreed to, and so ordered.

#### SPECIAL ORDER OF THE DAY.

Senate Bill No. 16:

A bill to be entitled an act to repeal Sections 2648, 2649, and 2651 of the Revised Statutes of Florida;

Which was made the special order for to-day,

Was taken up for consideration and read the second time in full.

The question was announced by the President to be on indefinite postponement of the bill.

Upon which Mr. Wolfe called for the yeas and nays.

The roll was called, and the vote was as follows:

Yeas—Messrs. Blitch, Borden, Bristol, Grady, McKinney, McLeran, Myers, Reeves, Rosborough, Weeks, Whidden and Wolfe—12.

Nays—Messrs. Baya, Broome, Browne, Calhoun, Farmer, Genovar, Johnson, Marks, Morrow, Perrenot, Smith, St. Clair, Abrams, Summers and Williamson—14.

So the motion to indefinitely postpone was lost.

The bill was ordered engrossed for its third reading.

On motion of Mr. Johnson, Mr. Smith was excused from attendance on the Senate until Monday.

By permission Mr. Genovar introduced—

Senate Bill No. 112:

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate a charitable and educational institution in the counties of Duval and Nassau

and other counties in the State of Florida, under the name and title of St. Joseph's Convent.

Mr. Genovar moved that the rule be waived and that the bill be read the first time by its title;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote,

Whereupon the bill was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Corporations.

Also,

Senate Bill No. 113:

A bill to be entitled an act to repeal Chapter 3973, of the Laws of Florida, approved June 7, 1889, being an act entitled an act to incorporate the city of New St. Augustine.

Mr. Summers moved that the rule be waived and that the bill be read the first time by its title;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote,

Whereupon the bill was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on City and County Organization.

Also,

Senate Bill No. 114:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend an act to incorporate the trustees of the Presbyterian Church of St. Augustine.

Mr. Genovar moved that the rule be waived and that the bill be read the first time by its title;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote,

Whereupon the bill was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Corporations.

By permission Mr. Calhoun introduced—

Senate Bill No. 115:

A bill to be entitled an act to authorize the judges of the Criminal Courts of Record in the various counties of the State wherein such courts exist, to order and hold extra, special and adjourned terms of said courts whenever in their judgment the public welfare and the cause of justice require the same.

Mr. Calhoun moved that the rule be waived and that the bill be read the first time by its title;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote,

Whereupon the bill was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Mr. Summers asked and was granted unanimous consent to take up on its second seading,

House Bill No. 7:

A bill to be entitled an act to incorporate the Savings and Trust Bank of Florida, and to confer certain rights and privileges thereon,

The bill was read in full the second time,

And ordered engrossed for its third reading.

At 12:45 o'clock, on motion of Mr. Browne, the Senate went into executive session.

The Senate was cleared and the doors closed.

At 12:55 o'clock the doors were opened.

The roll was called and the following Senators answered to their names:

Mr. President, Messrs. Blitch, Borden, Bristol, Broome, Browne, Calhoun, Genovar, Grady, Johnson, Marks, McKinney, McLeran, Morrow, Myers, Perrenot, Reeves, Rosborough, Summers, Weeks, Whidden, Williamson and Wolfe—23.

A quorum present.

Mr. Wolfe moved that the rules be waived and that the Senate proceed to the consideration of bills on their third reading;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote, and so ordered.

Mr. Wolfe moved that House Bill No. 11 be taken up out of its regular order and read a third time;

Which was agreed to.

Whereupon,

House Bill No. 11:

To be entitled an act to provide for a levy by the county commissioners of the counties in this State annually of a tax to pay interest upon and raise a sinking fund to meet the principal of county bonds issued for the purpose of erecting county buildings,

Was taken up out of its regular order, read the third time and put upon its passage.

Upon its passage the vote was:

Yeas—Messrs. Baya, Blitch, Borden, Bristol, Broome, Browne, Calhoun, Genovar, Grady, Johnson, Marks, McKinney, McLeran, Morrow, Myers, Perrenot, Reeves, Rosborough, St. Clair Abrams, Summers, Weeks, Whidden, Williamson, Wolfe—24.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed, title as stated, and was ordered certified to the House of Representatives.

Mr. Wolfe moved that House Bill No. 12 be taken up out of its regular order and read the third time;

Which was agreed to,

Whereupon

House Bill No. 12:

To be entitled an act to authorize the County Commissioners of Escambia county to erect an addition or annex to the court house of Escambia county, Florida, to be used as an armory for the State militia of said county and for other purposes, and to allow the issue of bonds for the purpose of raising funds to pay for the same,

Was read the third time and put upon its passage.

Upon its passage the vote was:

Yeas—Messrs. Baya, Blitch, Bristol, Broome, Browne, Calhoun, Genovar, Grady, Johnson, Marks, McKinney, McLeran, Morrow, Myers, Perrenot, Rosborough, St. Clair Abrams, Summers, Weeks, Whidden, Williamson and Wolfe—22.

Nays—Mr. Borden—1.

Excused from voting—Mr. Reeves—1.

So the bill passed, title as stated, and was ordered certified to the House of Representatives.

Mr. Wolfe moved that the rules be waived and that the Senate recur to the consideration of bills on their second reading;

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote, and so ordered.

Mr. Weeks then moved that Senate Bill No. 55 be taken up out of its regular order;

Which was agreed to,

Whereupon

Senate Bill No. 55:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend Section 15, Article 1, Chapter 2 of the Revised Statutes of Florida,

Was read the second time in full and ordered engrossed for its third reading.

The following communication from the Governor was received and ordered spread upon the Journal.

STATE OF FLORIDA, EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,  
TALLAHASSEE, April 14, 1893.

HON. W. H. REYNOLDS,

President of the Senate:

SIR—I have the honor herewith to submit the report of the State Board of Health.

Very respectfully,

HENRY L. MITCHELL,

Governor.

The report of the State Board of Health accompanying the communication was ordered referred to the Committee on Public Health.

The Senate thereupon, on motion of Mr. Summers adjourned until 10 o'clock A. M. Monday, April 17, 1893.

#### CONFIRMATIONS:

Evelyn C. Maxwell to be judge of the County Criminal Court in and for Escambia county.

John B. Jones to be County Solicitor in and for Escambia county.

MONDAY, APRIL 17, 1893.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

The President in the chair.

The roll was called and the following Senators answered to their names:

Mr. President, Messrs. Blitch, Borden, Bristol, Broome, Browne, Calhoun, Fleming, Genovar, Grady, Johnson, Marks, McKay, McKinney, McLeran, Morrow, Myers, Perrenot, Reeves, St. Clair Abrams, Summers, Whidden, Williamson and Wolfe—24.

A quorum present.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

The Journal was approved